

SAF/LLZ (Legislative Research Team)

JANKLOW, William (Republican)  
Representative, At-Large District, South Dakota  
Elected 2002 to 108th Congress



### BACKGROUND

Born: Chicago, IL - 13 September 1939

Home: City

Marital status: Married (Mary) - 3 children

Religion: Lutheran

Education: University of South Dakota, BS 1964, JD 1966

Profession: Lawyer

Military: Marine Corps, 1956-59

Political: Four-term governor; 1978-86, 1994-2002. Defeated Stephanie Herseth (D) with 53% of the vote to succeed Rep John Thune (R) who ran unsuccessfully for the Senate.

A son of a Nuremberg trial prosecutor, Janklow is a high-school dropout who, after serving 3 years in the Marine Corps was able to get admitted into the University of South Dakota. After graduating from law school spent 7 years as a legal-aid lawyer on the Rosebud Indian Reservation. As governor, Janklow reduced agricultural and residential property taxes. Ordered state troopers to stop and inspect trucks carrying Canadian livestock and grain, in protest of unfair trade practices. Is considered a friend of Sen Tom Daschle (D) and once wrote a letter to the NY Times affirming Sen Daschle's integrity.

AF Bases: Ellsworth AFB

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